

Hico Electricity Charges for 14 meters in TASB Pool with Direct Energy
 TDSP: Texas & New Mexico Power

	11/30-12/28	2/28-3/29
Total	\$14,311.05	\$14,170.53
TDSP cost	\$5,673.54	\$5,616.31
TDSP %age	39.64%	39.63%
Kwh used	95,296	94,640
Energy Prov. cost	\$8,392.72	\$ 8,334.95
Energy Prov.%age	58.65%	58.82%
(percentages will not equal 100% because of additional regulatory charges)		

Example of "Seasonal" Meter Charge: XXXX2391

Date:	kWh used	Electricity cost	TDSP cost
11/30-12/28	700	\$61.65	\$497.31
2/28-3/29	400	\$35.23	\$351.63

Schools are challenged to decrease energy costs, but the fact is, that on some meters, minimal usage results in high TDSP Charges, thereby not allowing us to reduce costs.

In many parts of the state, school districts can choose their energy provider, join pools, etc. in order to reduce costs.

However, that option is not available when it comes to TDSP charges. It appears to be a non-competitive market, and "choice" is not an option .

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